

### **REMARKS**

In the Office Action, claims 1, 2, and 6 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Beauchamp et al., (U.S. Patent 6,434,441, hereinafter "Beauchamp"). Claims 3-5, and 7-10 were objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but were indicated as allowable if rewritten in independent form. Claims 11-20 were allowed. By the present Response, claim 1 is amended to incorporate the allowable subject matter of dependent claim 7. Claim 7 is canceled. New claims 21 and 22 are added to rewrite the allowable subject matter of dependent claims 3-5 and dependent claim 8 into independent form. Upon entry of the amendments, claims 1-6, 8-22 will be pending in the present patent application. Reconsideration and allowance of all pending claims are requested.

### **Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 102**

Claims 1, 2, and 6 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Beauchamp. However, the Examiner indicated that the subject matter of claim 7, for example, was allowable. Similar language to that found in claim 7 has been added to the independent claim 1 by this Response. Claim 7 has been canceled. Claims 2 and 6 depend from the amended independent claim 1. Independent claim 1 and claims depending therefrom are believed to be in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and allowance of all pending claims are requested.

### **New Claims**

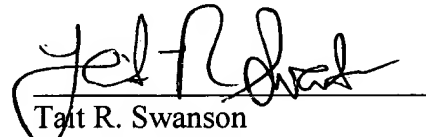
Two new claims have been added by this response. Claim 21 incorporates features originally recited in claims 1, 3, 4, and 5. Claim 22 incorporates features originally recited in claims 1 and 8. No new matter has been added. Again, dependent claims 3-5 and 8 were previously indicated as allowable if rewritten in independent form. Claims 21-22 are therefore believed to be in condition for allowance.

**Conclusion**

In view of the remarks and amendments set forth above, Applicant respectfully requests allowance of the pending claims. If the Examiner believes that a telephonic interview will help speed this application toward issuance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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